



## **NOTICE OF PROVISIONAL APPROVAL FOR GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTION CREDIT PROTOCOL**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the California Air Pollution Control Officer's Association (CAPCOA) solicits public review and comment on the following provisionally approved protocol to quantify greenhouse gas emission reductions in California: Climate Action Reserve Organic Waste Digestion Project Protocol.

CAPCOA is an Association of Air Pollution Control Officers representing all thirty-five local air quality agencies throughout California and is dedicated to protecting the public health and providing clean air for all our residents and visitors to breathe. CAPCOA has developed a greenhouse gas reduction exchange (CAPCOA GHG Rx) to provide a low-cost, secure platform to support the exchange of locally generated, high quality GHG emission reduction credits. Emission reductions quantified using the above protocol would be eligible to be listed on the CAPCOA GHG Rx.

The GHG Rx has three main functions: (1) A listing of credit projects that have or will generate GHG credits from voluntary projects in the state; (2) Posting of funding opportunities available for a variety of projects that can benefit climate change and air pollution efforts; and (3) A bulletin board for posting information such as interest in purchasing GHG credits, interest in partnering with others on GHG reduction projects, and other related topics. The GHG Rx will launch publicly on January 2, 2014.

The Climate Action Reserve Organic Waste Digestion Project Protocol provides an accurate GHG accounting methodology for GHG reduction projects that divert and anaerobically digest eligible organic waste and/or wastewater streams that otherwise would have gone to uncontrolled anaerobic storage, treatment and disposal systems such as solid waste landfills or on-site anaerobic wastewater treatment facilities. The protocol also addresses the co-digestion of eligible organic waste streams with livestock manure.

The proposed protocol is available at [http://www.valleyair.org/notices/public\\_notices\\_idx.htm#Other Notices](http://www.valleyair.org/notices/public_notices_idx.htm#Other_Notices). After consideration of all comments received, the CAPCOA Board will make their final decision on the subject protocol.

For additional information, please contact the Leonard Scandura, San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District at (661) 392-5500. Written comments on the proposed protocol must be submitted by January 24, 2014 to Leonard Scandura, Permit Services Manager, San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, 34946 Flyover Court, Bakersfield, CA 93308 or by email at [leonard.scandura@valleyair.org](mailto:leonard.scandura@valleyair.org).